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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Administration)
FROM: Comptroller
SUBJECT: Use of Unvouchered Funds in Connection with
Exploratory Work on Project Artichoke

1. Attached hereto is a memorandum dated September 29, 1951 from Office of Scientific Intelligence representing a claim in the amount of [redacted] for out of pocket expenses of a private individual who rendered aid and assistance to OSI in connection with the development of project "Artichoke". In presenting this claim OSI advised that they anticipated that there would be other expenses of this nature incurred in developing project "Artichoke" and requested advice as to how such claims could be handled speedily and securely. In this connection we advised them to submit a request to [redacted] to establish a project which would authorize the use of unvouchered funds thereby eliminating the necessity of having each claim approved by the Deputy Director.

2. There is attached hereto a memorandum to the [redacted] dated October 1, 1951 from the Assistant Director, Scientific Intelligence requesting the establishment of such a project. There are adequate funds in the current approved budget of OSI to absorb the cost of this project if approved.

3. Recommendations

- a. That DD/A approve payment from unvouchered funds of the attached [redacted] claim.
- b. That [redacted] review the attached memo requesting approval of a [redacted] project.

Attachments:

Note written by [redacted] Admin., 10 Oct.;
[redacted] called with information that a project was not established but that a fund of [redacted] has been approved and set up from which reimbursement such as the [redacted] claim will be paid.

TAKEN FROM [redacted] FILE

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